

# **Recycle Now**

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## IDNR/Raccoon State Recreation Area

### **Brief Project Description:**

"Raccoon State Recreation Area has 120,000 campers annually. We provide upon request a trash bag to each of our campers upon their entering the campground. I would like to take that one step further and have our campground host offer a mesh bag to those individuals interested. While offering the mesh recycling bag the campground host could explain our recycling efforts, and also explain that the mesh bags should be returned upon their departure."

Initially, we began by having the campground host contact our campers. We quickly came to the decision to have our control station attendants make the initial contact with the camper as they registered to camp. Rack cards had been purchased, and are passed out with additional camping information. Of the mesh bags that were purchase only six were not returned.

Project Dates: 03/30/2003 - 07/17/2004

Location: 1588 South Raccoon Parkway, Rockville, IN 47872

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■ Program Results: In the year previous to beginning this project the property recycled 1,250 pounds of material in our campground's recycling center. Last year I'm proud to announce that we increased that amount by just over 69 %. Also, our campground attendance was down due the price increase, and the fact that we flooded out three times. The property management staff views the recycling program as a success.



"A recycling program is something we all should be involved in....we are all stewards of this great space ship called Earth" - Tom Brading